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Transcript Review Worksheet

Endorsement #76: Reading/English Language Arts Specialist

Instructional Level: PK – 12

The holder is authorized to function as a school-wide resource to support teachers to implement reading instruction and assessment practices that are informed by research, and to provide instruction in reading to students. This endorsement is limited to holders of endorsements in early childhood, elementary education, middle grades, the secondary content areas, special education, or English as a Second Language.

Additional Requirements:

A minimum of 18 credits in reading/English language arts.

A minimum of a practicum, or the equivalent, in reading instruction and assessment.

In order to qualify for this endorsement, the candidate shall demonstrate the following:

Content Topic	College/ University	Course Number	# of Credits	Course Title
Reading Comprehension	Oniversity	Number	Credits	Title
Cognitive processes involved in reading and their interaction				
The components of reading comprehension, their interaction, and implications for instruction				
Components of fluency, and appropriate ranges of reading fluency rates at different grade levels				
Development of early and emergent literacy				
Instructional strategies to promote reading comprehension and fluency				
Literature and media				
A wide variety of age-appropriate literature across genres, cultures, and sub-cultures, including texts that support a range of reading abilities				

Content Topic	College/ University	Course Number	# of Credits	Course Title
Critical theories of children's literature	J			
Literary elements and strategies for analysis of literature and non-print media				
Language Development				
The phonemic, morphemic, semantic, syntactic, and pragmatic systems of language and their relationship to the reading and writing process				
Processes, principles, and dimensions of oral language acquisition and the relationship between oral language development and literacy development				
Components of phonological processing				
The development of the phonological skills essential to fluent decoding				
The impact of physical, emotional, and cultural factors on language development and acquisition of reading and writing				
Elements of effective verbal and non-verbal communication				
The process of second language acquisition and distinctions between language learning issues and learning disabilities				
Word Study				
The pronunciation of English phonemes and their graphemes				
The developmental stages of spelling and morphological analysis				
Speech to print correspondence at the sound, syllable pattern, and morphological levels				
Vocabulary development and its relationship to literacy acquisition				
Relationships among phonology, decoding, orthography, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension				
Instructional strategies to promote the development of phonemic awareness, vocabulary, spelling, and decoding skills				

Content Topic	College/ University	Course Number	# of Credits	Course Title
Written Expression	omversity	TVUIIDEI	Credits	Title
The writing development continuum from pre- writers through adults				
Dimensions of quality writing, types of writing, the composing processes that writers use, and planning strategies most appropriate for particular kinds of writing				
The conventions of written English				
Uses of writing portfolios and approaches to assessing student writing, including appropriate benchmarks and standards for various ages/grade levels				
Instructional strategies to support the development of written expression				
Individual Differences and Individualized Instruction				
The characteristics and multiple causes of reading and writing difficulties				
A variety of individual and group instructional approaches, interventions, and supplemental programs to address specific difficulties in language, reading and writing skills				
Assessment				
Indicators of proficiency or difficulty in the various component areas of reading				
Purposes for assessment in English language arts, and a range of valid and reliable assessment tools appropriate to each purpose				
Administration and interpretation of formal and informal assessments appropriate for different purposes				
Consultation and Collaboration				
Principles and practices of effective collaboration and consultation in learning environments				

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Content	College/	Course	# of	Course
Topic	University	Number	Credits	Title
Purposes of and eligibility criteria for various local				
supplemental and intervention programs designed				
to help students with reading and writing				
difficulties				
Appropriate roles and responsibilities of				
paraeducators and their supervision				
Research and Evaluation				
Interpretation, analysis and application of research				
findings to instructional practice				
Strategies for classroom-based literacy research				
Appropriate criteria for determining the				
effectiveness of reading programs.				
Additional Requirements:				
A minimum of 18 credits in reading/English				
language arts.				
A minimum of a practicum, or the equivalent, in				
reading instruction and assessment.				